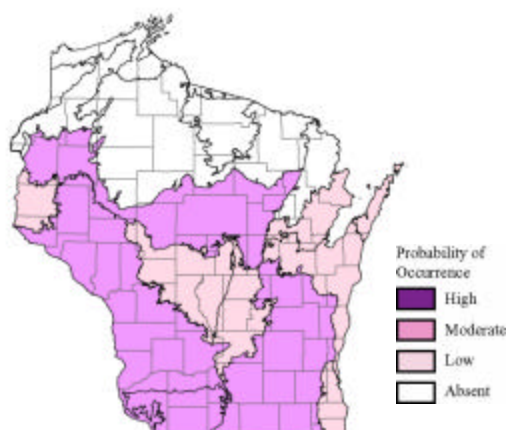


## Woodland Vole (*Microtus pinetorum*)

### Species Assessment Scores\*

State rarity:	5
State threats:	2
State population trend:	3
Global abundance:	3
Global distribution:	4
Global threats:	2
Global population trend:	3
Mean Risk Score:	3.1
Area of importance:	2

\* Please see the [Description of Vertebrate Species Summaries \(Section 3.1.1\)](#) for definitions of criteria and scores.



### Ecological Landscape Associations

Please note that this is not a range map. Shading does not imply that the species is present throughout the Landscape, but represents the probability that the species occurs somewhere in the Landscape.

### Landscape-community Combinations of Highest Ecological Priority

Ecological Landscape	Community
Central Sand Hills	Southern dry forest
Southeast Glacial Plains	Oak opening
Southeast Glacial Plains	Oak woodland
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern dry forest
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern dry-mesic forest
Southwest Savanna	Oak opening
Southwest Savanna	Oak woodland
Western Coulee and Ridges	Oak opening
Western Coulee and Ridges	Oak woodland
Western Coulee and Ridges	Southern dry forest
Western Coulee and Ridges	Southern dry-mesic forest

### Threats and Issues

- Flooding of dry habitats and agricultural areas decreases habitat for this species which is often associated with the edges of forests and old fields.
- Skin disease may be an important factor in the health of woodland voles
- Poisoning from pest control efforts, primarily in orchards, is a threat to this species.

### Priority Conservation Actions

- Reducing saturation of soil in areas occupied by woodland voles would benefit this species
- Extensive inventory work is needed to determine the range and habitat requirements of this species, and to establish whether the limited information available on the status of this species in Wisconsin (broadly distributed in the state, but rare) is indeed accurate, or is an artifact of minimal survey effort and the use of ineffective sampling techniques.